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MEMORANDUM FOR: Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence
SUBJECT : Comments on Congressional Proposal

The proposed legislation quoted in your memorandum for 1 November would have appreciable adverse impact on the business of this office in each of the five ways you mention. But most serious would be the inhibiting effect on the kind of relationships we will need to develop with consultants--especially with consultants in the academic community. We would want, for example, to ask certain of them for reactions to the prospectus for one or another O/PR project and then for comments and suggestions when the first-cut draft was completed. And we would, from time to time, want their judgment on the value and applicability of various methodologies, on the worthiness of finished product, and on what targets we should attack next.

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